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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I worked for AT&T for 18 years. As an 911 Senior Account Manager for over 5 years, I worked with CLECs and incumbent local carriers. I have seen the advantages and benefits of competitions as a broadband consumer. My monthly bill with Sonic is half of what I used to pay under AT&T; local toll and long distance calls are free, and my internet is on fiber, which is faster than the previous DSL and cheaper.

AT&T and its trade association, USTelecom, have recently petitioned the FCC to take away access to critical unbundled network elements. This is totally anti-competitive behavior. Without this piece of network, CLECs cannot provide the gigabit fibers that I am enjoying now for my home, that my son is using for his entrepreneurial gaming start up, all with an affordable pricing.

As a tax payer and consumer, I strongly urge the FCC to reject this petition. This passing of this petition will return the US telecom industry back to oligopoly, where a few big companies like AT&T control the pricing and market.

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